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## **Public Works**

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- We've had snow on the ground nearly every day.
- We've experienced some of the coldest temperatures and wind chills in the last 20+ years.
- The schools have yet to return from Christmas break.

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## 2014

2014 has gotten off to a very busy start for Public Works. The Street Department crews have been working very long hours in their attempt to get and keep the roads in town passable. Water & Sewer crews have been dealing with the



frozen water lines and main breaks that accompany the frigid temperatures. With the help of warmer temperatures this weekend we hope the clean up from this storm will be completed and with any luck the worst of winter may be behind us.

Looking forward, there are a couple of new projects coming up in the new year.

- ♦ Illinois Route 143 / Troxler Avenue Intersection -This project is slated to begin this fall. The plan is to add a right turn lane at the stop light on Route 143 onto Troxler Avenue, and a right turn lane on Troxler Avenue onto northbound Route 143 at the same location.
- ♦ Safe Routes to School This project will be done in conjunction with IDOT and we are currently waiting for information about a pre-construction meeting. The Safe Route to School project will add sidewalks along the north side of Troxler from Augusta Estates to Route 160 and continue across 160 to the crosswalk between the Middle and High Schools. This project will also add pedestrian crossing signals at the intersection crossing both across Troxler Avenue, north and south, and across Route 160, east and west.
- Sewer Rehab / Pipe Lining—Following the storms in the Spring of 2013 the city approved a new sewer bond to help make needed repairs to this aging infrastructure. Last year an engineering firm was hired to study and make recommendations, smoke testing was conducted, and now with all this information available the city will target areas to begin these repairs.
- ♦ 12th Street Water Main Replacement—The Water and Sewer crews will be replacing an old 2" with a new 6" line. The work will be done along 12th Street from Pestalozzi Street to Laurel Street.
- Iberg Road Extension— The construction on this last section of the peripheral route began last fall and will through out this year. The project is expected to be completed in the Fall of 2015.